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Rural Godown Scheme
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details and the salient features of Rural Godown Scheme;

(b) the details of the funds earmarked, allocated by the Government and utilized under the scheme during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the number of Godowns which have been modernised and created for having Scientific Storage Capacity in the country, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the Government has received any complaint regarding the misuse of the allocated funds; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): The Government is implementing capital investment subsidy sub-scheme "Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI)" of Integrated Scheme for Agricultural Marketing (ISAM) scheme [the erstwhile two schemes viz. (i) Grameen Bhandaran Yojna (GBY), also known as Rural Godown Scheme; and (ii) Scheme for Strengthening/Development of Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure, Grading & Standardization (AMIGS) have been subsumed into one scheme known as Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI) on 01.04.2014]. Under the scheme, capital investment subsidy @ 25% of the capital cost for general category beneficiary and @33.33% for special category beneficiary is provided for construction/creation of scientific godowns and other marketing infrastructure in the country. However, the assistance for renovation is restricted to storage infrastructure projects of cooperatives only. Currently, AMI scheme is temporarily stopped w.e.f. 05.08.2014 for general category promoters due to exhaustion of funds. However, the scheme is open for SC/ST promoters and for promoters in North-Eastern Region.

(b): There is no State-wise allocation of funds under the scheme. The releases of funds are made to the States as per sanction of projects under the scheme in the particular state.

The details of the funds earmarked, allocated by the Government and utilized under the scheme during the last three years, is as below:
(Rs. In crore)

Year	Name of the Scheme	Allocation of funds	Utilization / Release of Funds
2013-14	GBY	344.16	344.10
2014-15	AMI	926.71	878.18
2015-16	AMI	675.86	518.81

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(c): Under AMI scheme (storage component) (erstwhile GBY), up to 30.06.2016, a total of 37371 godown projects have been sanctioned for renovation/ construction throughout the country. The State-wise details are given in Annexure.

Further, under Private Entrepreneur Guarantee (PEG) Scheme, storage capacity of 134.83 lakh MT has been constructed.

(d): No, Madam.

(e): Does not arise.